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Title : Control Device and Control Method for a Vehicle

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 16, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Requirement dated November 16, 2004, Applicants provisionally elect the species of Figures 1-7 upon which Claims 5-7 are readable. In the event that one or more generic claims are found allowable, however, applicants request inclusion of the remaining claims directed to the provisionally non-elected species.


If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and

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please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit
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Respectfully submitted,



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